

**Amendments to the Claims**

Please add new claims 27-29 as indicated below. All claims are listed below, with new claims so marked. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1        1. (Previously Presented) A method of using an electronic shopping cart  
2        to facilitate defining a distribution package, comprising:  
3                connecting to an online distribution server;  
4                receiving a list of goods available for electronic and/or physical distribution to a  
5        client;  
6                selecting goods from the list;  
7                adding said selected goods to an electronic shopping cart;  
8                requesting creation of a distribution package according to contents of electronic  
9        shopping cart; and  
10                assigning access restrictions for the distribution package, said restrictions  
11        controlling access by the client to the distribution package.

12        2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
13                sending a client identifier to the online distribution server;  
14                wherein said list has contents constrained according to access privileges  
15        associated with the client identifier.

16        3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the access privileges  
17        associated with the client identifier are stored on the online distribution server.

1           4. (Original)   The method of claim 2, further comprising:  
2            storing said access privileges within the client identifier;  
3            wherein said access privileges are signed with a public key of the online  
4 distribution server.

5           5. (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein the goods comprise physical  
6 goods, electronic goods, or services.

7           6. (Original)   The method of claim 5, wherein a first grouping of the goods  
8 is available electronically, and a second grouping of the goods is unavailable  
9 electronically but is available through physical shipping to a client.

10          7. (Previously Presented)   A machine-accessible medium having  
11 instructions encoded thereon for using an electronic shopping cart to facilitate defining a  
12 distribution package, said instructions, when accessed, capable of directing a machine  
13 to:  
14           connect to an online distribution server;  
15           receive a list of goods available for electronic and physical distribution to a client;  
16           select goods from the list;  
17           add said selected goods to an electronic shopping cart;  
18           request creation of a distribution package according to contents of electronic  
19 shopping cart; and  
20           assign access restrictions for the distribution package, said restrictions  
21 controlling access by the client to the distribution package.

1           8. (Previously Presented)   The medium of claim 7, said instructions  
2    including further instructions to direct the machine to:  
3            send a client identifier to the online distribution server;  
4            wherein said list has contents constrained according to access privileges  
5    associated with the client identifier.

6           9. (Original)   The medium of claim 8, wherein the access privileges  
7    associated with the client identifier are stored on the online distribution server.

8           10. (Previously Presented)   The medium of claim 8, said instructions  
9    including further instructions to direct the machine to:  
10           store said access privileges within the client identifier;  
11           wherein said access privileges are signed with a public key of the online  
12    distribution server.

13           11. (Original)   The medium of claim 7, wherein the goods comprise  
14    physical goods, electronic goods, or services.

15           12. (Original)   The medium of claim 11, wherein a first grouping of the  
16    goods is available electronically, and a second grouping of the goods is unavailable  
17    electronically but is available through physical shipping to a client.

18           13. (Previously Presented)   A method of using an electronic shopping cart  
19    to facilitate defining a distribution package, comprising:  
20            receiving a connection from a manager-client by an online distribution server;

1           determining a client identifier;

2           sending a list of goods to the manager-client based at least in part on the client

3        identifier;

4           receiving a selection of goods from the list;

5           adding said selected goods to a client-side electronic shopping cart;

6           receiving a creation request for a distribution package;

7           creating the distribution package from the contents of the client-side electronic

8        shopping cart; and

9           assigning access restrictions for the distribution package, said restrictions

10       controlling access by user-clients to the distribution package.

11       14. (Original)   The method of claim 13, further comprising:

12           determining client access rights associated with the client identifier; and

13           restricting the list of goods according to said client access rights.

14       15. (Original)   The method of claim 14, wherein the access privileges

15       associated with the client identifier are stored in a second memory of the online

16       distribution server.

17       16. (Original)   The method of claim 14, further comprising:

18           storing said access privileges within a client memory storage;

19           wherein said access privileges are signed with a public key of the online

20       distribution server so as to prevent tampering of said access privileges by the client.

1        17. (Previously Presented) A machine-accessible medium having  
2        instructions encoded thereon for using an electronic shopping cart to facilitate defining a  
3        distribution package, said instructions, when accessed, capable of directing a machine  
4        to:

5            receive a connection from a manager-client by an online distribution server;

6            determine a client identifier;

7            send a list of goods to the manager-client based at least in part on the client  
8        identifier;

9            receive a selection of goods from the list;

10          add said selected goods to a client-side electronic shopping cart;

11          receive a creation request for a distribution package;

12          create the distribution package from the contents of the client-side electronic  
13        shopping cart; and

14          assign access restrictions for the distribution package, said restrictions

15        controlling access by user-clients to the distribution package.

16        18. (Previously Presented) The medium of claim 17, said instructions  
17        including further instructions to direct the machine to:

18          determine client access rights associated with the client identifier; and

19          restrict the list of goods according to said client access rights.

20        19. (Original) The medium of claim 18, wherein the access privileges  
21        associated with the client identifier are stored in a second memory of the online  
22        distribution server.

1           20. (Previously Presented) The medium of claim 18, said instructions  
2 including further instructions to direct the machine to:  
3           store said access privileges within a client memory storage;  
4           wherein said access privileges are signed with a public key of the online  
5 distribution server so as to prevent tampering of said access privileges by the client.

6           21. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the list of goods comprises  
7 goods available from at least two different sources communicatively coupled with the  
8 online distribution server.

9           22. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the distribution package has  
10 at least one portion having a security requirement restricting access to the portion to  
11 clients meeting the security requirement.

12           23. (Original) The method of claim 13, further comprising:  
13           validating the selection of goods based at least in part on the client identifier.

14           24. (Original) The medium of claim 17, said instructions to create the  
15 distribution contents further comprising instructions capable of directing the machine to:  
16           validate the selection of goods based at least in part on the client identifier.

17           25. (Original) A method of using an electronic shopping cart to facilitate  
18 defining a distribution package, comprising:  
19           receiving a connection from a manager-client;  
20           determining an identifier for the manager-client;

1               assembling, based at least in part on the identifier, a list of goods available for  
2               electronic and/or physical distribution to a user-client;  
3               receiving a selection of a good from the list;  
4               adding said selected good to an electronic shopping cart of the manager-client;  
5               receiving a request for creation of a distribution package determined based at  
6               least in part on the contents of the electronic shopping cart.

7               26. (Original)   The method of claim 25, wherein the list of goods comprises  
8               goods from at least two different sources.

9               27. (New) A method comprising:  
10               a client connecting to a distribution server having associated packages, each  
11               package identifying selected ones of electronic and physical goods and updates thereto,  
12               and each package having an associated access control set by a creator of the package;  
13               receiving a list of goods identifying at least one good available by electronic  
14               distribution;  
15               selecting the good available for electronic distribution;  
16               determining the good is currently installed on the client;  
17               determining an update to the good is available from the distribution server; and  
18               updating said installed good with the update.

19               28. (New) The method of claim 27, further comprising:  
20               responsive to determining the update, automatically performing the updating said  
21               installed good.

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29 (New) The method of claim 27, in which the creator has a relation to the client, the method further comprising:

determining an operator of the client;

wherein the relation includes the creator being a superior of the client.

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